IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATHENS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :

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v. :

No. 3:22-CR-9-CAR-CHW-13

:

GARY LEE HENSON,

:

Defendant.

ORDER ON UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CONTINUE

Before the Court is the Defendant Gary Lee Henson's Unopposed Motion to Continue [Doc. 197] the pretrial conference in this case presently scheduled for July 21, 2022, and the trial, which is set to begin on August 8, 2022, in Athens, Georgia. On April 12, 2022, the Grand Jury returned a multi-defendant, multi-count indictment charging Defendant with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine and possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. On June 8, 2022, Defendant was arrested, and on June 14, he was appointed counsel, pled not guilty at his arraignment, and ordered detained pending trial. This is Defendant's first request for a continuance, and the Government does not oppose it.

In the Motion, defense counsel represents that additional time is needed for counsel to receive discovery, review discovery, meet with Defendant, and prepare a defense. Having considered the matter, the Court finds it serves the ends of justice to grant Defendant and his counsel adequate time to address these matters. The ends of

justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the interests of Defendant and the

public in a speedy trial. Failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel reasonable

time for effective preparation could result in a miscarriage of justice. Thus, Defendant's

Unopposed Motion to Continue Trial [Doc. 197] is GRANTED, and IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED that this case be continued until the October 24, 2022 term of Court for the

Athens Division. The delay occasioned by this continuance shall be deemed excludable

pursuant to the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161.

SO ORDERED, this 12th day of July, 2022.

s/C. Ashley Royal

C. ASHLEY ROYAL, SENIOR JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT